

Charter Start! 101 Tentative Agenda
September 24, 2008
Idaho State Department of Education
Len B. Jordan Building (2nd floor)
Barbara Morgan Room

Charter Start! 101 is a full-day workshop that provides an introduction to charter schools and the charter petitioning process. This workshop is open to all new charter developers and to individuals interested in a public school conversion. It is designed to support charter school developers at all stages: from vision to implementation. We encourage teams of interested individuals to attend the workshop together. Presenters will provide hands-on technical assistance in breakout sessions immediately following their presentations. Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop computer, planning drafts (if any), questions and all—to the workshop. Contact Lori Howard, School Choice Administrative Assistant at lahoward@sde.idaho.gov to register.

8:00-8:30	Registration Continental Breakfast Provided Onsite	Main Session: Barbara Morgan Room	Breakout Session: Lewis and Clark Room
8:30-8:45	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Tom Luna (15 minutes) Superintendent of Public Instruction, SDE	
8:45-9:15	Charter School 101: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview and Logistics • Introductions • National and Statewide Perspectives • Leadership for Educational Entrepreneurs • Venture Capital: Charter School Development Grants 	Shirley Rau (30 minutes) School Choice Coordinator, SDE	
9:15-9:45	So You Want to Start a Charter School: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Petitioning Process and Timeline • Laws and Rules that Govern Idaho Charters • Walk through the <i>Charter School Manual</i> 	Tamara Baysinger (30 minutes) Charter Schools Program Manager Idaho Public Charter School Commission	Hands-On: CSP Grant Writing Shirley Rau
9:45-10:00	Break		
10:00-11:00	Business Plan Development: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business Plan Overview • Vision, Missions Values • Marketing • Governance Structure • Staffing • Budgeting, Finance and Fundraising 	Beth Geagan (60 minutes) Balance Business	Hands-On: Charter Petition Tamara Baysinger Shirley Rau
11:00-11:15	School Facilities - Opportunities and Challenges	Diane Demarest (15 minutes) Executive Director Idaho Charter School Network	Hands-On: Business Plan Development Beth Geagan

11:15-12:15	<u>School Operations Panel:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Governance, Leadership and Management Authorizer Relations Policies/Procedures for Students/Employees Community and Parent Relations Marketing and Recruiting Hiring and Staff Evaluation Facilities Building Organizational Capacity Emergency Management Budget and Finance 	<u>Suzanne Burton</u> (10 minutes) Director of School Operations ANSER Charter School <u>Joe Devera</u> (10 minutes) Governing Board North Star Charter School <u>Matt Dorsey</u> (10 minutes) Governing Board Thomas Jefferson Charter School <u>Kelly Trudeau</u> (10 minutes) Head of School Compass Public Charter School <u>Alan Millar</u> (10 minutes) Head of School Sandpoint Charter School	<u>Hands-On:</u> <u>Business Plan Development</u> Beth Geagan <u>Hands-On:</u> <u>Facilities Planning</u> Diane Demarest
12:15-1:15	<u>Working Lunch:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Finance Budget Federal Programs/Funding <p>Box Lunch Provided Onsite</p>	<u>Greg Berg</u> (20 minutes) Finance Coordinator, SDE <u>Julie Oberle</u> (20 minutes) Finance Coordinator, SDE <u>Lester Wyer</u> (20 minutes) Grants/Contracts/Techs Coordinator, SDE	<u>Hands-On:</u> <u>School Operations</u> Suzanne Burton Joe Devera Matt Dorsey Kelly Trudeau Alan Millar
1:15-2:15	<u>Student Support Services Panel:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Transportation Health and Safety Crisis Management Planning/Safe Schools Child Nutrition Certification Accreditation/Graduation Requirements 	<u>Lanette Daw</u> (10 minutes) Transportation Specialist, SDE Idaho State Department of Education <u>Matt McCarter</u> (10 minutes) Safe/Drug Free Schools Coordinator <u>Mary Jo Marshall</u> (10 minutes) School Lunch Coordinator, SDE <u>Christina Linder</u> (10 minutes) Director Certification, SDE <u>Nick Smith</u> (10 minutes) Deputy Superintendent Division of District Support	<u>Hands On:</u> <u>School Finance</u> Greg Berg Julie Oberle Lester Wyer
2:15-2:30	Break		

2:30-3:30	<u>Educational Programming Panel – Promoting High Achievement for All Students:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measurable Student Education Standards • Data Analysis that Promotes Data Driven Decision Making and Student Achievement • Professional Development • Promoting Student Growth and Achievement • Community and Parent Partners 	<u>Tamara Baysinger</u> (15 minutes) <u>Kerri Pickett Hoffman</u> (30 minutes) Education Director Idaho Virtual Academy <u>Suzanne Gregg</u> (10 minutes) Education Director ANSER Charter School	<u>Hands-On:</u> <u>Student Support Services</u> Lanette Daw Matt McCarter Mary Jo Marshall Christina Linder Nick Smith
3:30-4:30	<u>Educational Programming Panel II - Promoting High Achievement for All Students:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unique Delivery Models • Research Based Models • Professional Development • Promoting Growth and Achievement • Community Partners • Funding • SPOPS: Recruitment and Retention 	<u>Scott Smith</u> (10 minutes) Science Coordinator, SDE <u>Liz Smith</u> (10 minutes) English Language Arts Coordinator, SDE <u>Marcia Beckman</u> (10 minutes) NCLB/Title I Programs Director <u>Val Schorzman</u> (10 minutes) Gifted and Talented Coordinator <u>Jean Taylor</u> (10 minutes) Special Education Director	<u>Hands-On:</u> <u>Student Achievement</u> Tamara Baysinger Kerri Pickett Hoffman Suzanne Gregg
4:30-5:00	<u>Directions and Next Steps Panel:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steps to Approval - Negotiating the Process • Marketing and Recruitment • Community Partnerships • Networking Advocacy and Resources 	<u>Isaac Moffet</u> Founding Board Nampa Classical Academy (opening 2009) <u>Debbie Infanger</u> Founding Board North Valley Academy (opened 2008)	<u>Hands-On:</u> <u>New Visions</u> Scott Smith Cindy Johnstone Liz Smith Marcia Beckman Val Schorzman Jean Taylor
Closing	<u>Closing</u>	<u>Shirley Rau</u>	

The Idaho State Department of Education, accordance with Section 33-5211, Idaho Code, provides technical assistance to charter school petitioners by conducting 2 full day public charter school workshops annually. As outlined in Board Rule, the purpose of these workshops is to *provide public charter school petitioners with a brief overview of a variety of educational and operational issues relating to public charter schools, as well as to answer questions and to provide technical assistance, as may be necessary, to aid petitioners in the preparation of public charter school petitions*. New legislation requires that a representative of the founding board attend a full-day public charter school workshop offered by the State Department of Education and that proof of attendance be submitted by the petitioners to an authorized chartering entity along with the petition.

The Charter Start! 101 Workshop is an introductory session designed to touch on topics that are considered essential to new charter school developers. The State Department of Education is partnering with the Idaho Charter School Network, and other charter support organizations to expand the *Charter Start!* Program and provide additional targeted assistance to charter developers throughout the chartering process—from conception to implementation. Charter Start! Seminars are offered on a monthly basis via e-conferences, phone conferences and regional workshops. Participants in Charter Start! 101 Workshops will receive information regarding upcoming seminars.